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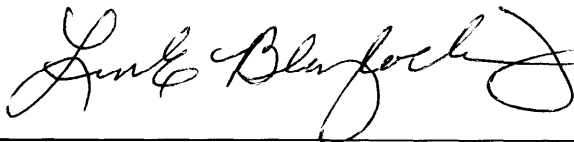
Farm Service Agency
Room 3416, 700 West Capitol Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

ARKANSAS NOTICE FLP-133

For: County Offices

Presidential Major Disaster Declaration M1528

Approved by: State Executive Director



1 Overview

A Purpose

The purpose of this notice is to advise those counties where Farm Service Agency (FSA) Emergency Loan Assistance (EM) is available to eligible family farmers and ranchers.

B Contact

If there are questions regarding this notice:

County Offices shall contact Tom Howard, Farm Loan Programs Specialist, at 501-301-3035 or Email: tom.howard@ar.usda.gov

2 Action

A Disaster Area

Effective June 30, 2004, President Bush declared a Presidential Major disaster declaration in Arkansas for Federal disaster assistance, including FSA emergency loans. This action is based on damages and losses caused by severe storms and flooding that occurred from May 30th through July 9th 2004.

Disposal	Distribution
September 1, 2005	All County Offices

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2 Action (Continued)

The eligible counties are:

Bradley	Columbia	Lafayette	Ouachita
Calhoun	Hempstead	Little River	Pike
Clark	Howard	Nevada	Sevier

In accordance with Section 321(a) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, the following counties are named as contiguous disaster counties:

Ashley	Drew	Montgomery
Cleveland	Hot Spring	Polk
Dallas	Miller	Union

B Application Processing

Emergency loan applications will be received through March 1, 2005, for physical and production losses.

This notification is coded M1528.

Also, for the purpose of establishing security values as set forth in 3-FLP, paragraph 171 when determining loan security values for loan applications, the beginning date of the incidence period is May 30, 2004.

Farm Loan Managers will ensure that the notification and coordination actions are taken. Designated counties and adjoining counties will send a copy of the attached news release to all media in the county. (See attached Exhibit 1)

C Filing Instructions

File in chronological order preceding 3-FLP.

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Exhibit 1

Farm

Service

Agency

NEWS

United States

Department of Agriculture

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact:

Phone:

Arkansas Counties Eligible For USDA Emergency Farm Loans

Washington, D. C., June 30, 2004 -- President Bush declared a Presidential Major Disaster in Arkansas for Federal disaster assistance, including FSA emergency loans. This action is based on damages and losses caused by severe storms and flooding that occurred from May 30th through July 9th 2004. The eligible counties are:

Bradley	Columbia	Lafayette	Ouachita
Calhoun	Hempstead	Little River	Pike
Clark	Howard	Nevada	Sevier

The following counties are also eligible because they are contiguous to the disaster declared counties:

Ashley	Drew	Montgomery
Cleveland	Hot Spring	Polk
Dallas	Miller	Union

Farmers in the disaster area have until March 1, 2005, to apply for the loans to help cover part of their actual losses. To be eligible, producers must have suffered a physical loss or at least a 30-percent loss of normal production in a single enterprise, be able to repay the loan and any other loans, be unable to obtain credit elsewhere, and have adequate security.

Additional information regarding eligibility and other loan requirements may be obtained by contacting your local FSA county office. The Farm Service Agency is an Equal Opportunity Lender.